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he believes that 35-40 kg was the range for the passive component, and 80 K/cs for the active component. He knows that 25 K/cs for passive and 80 K/cs for active had already been tested by the Germans, and the passive range had not been altogether satisfactory. He says that these figures were not bound to be adopted, and they could be changed at any time.

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control equipment suitable for German use. It was believed that the Russians would do the rest themselves. The impression was that the torpedo was intended to be very fast, and probably driven by hydrogen peroxide. The Germans were not given any data for noise ranges, so could not make any plans for the speed

under consideration by the team entailed as much work as five torpedges fitted with LUT.

## 2. LERCHE Torpedo

all the team dealt with bits of it however, that a complete unit was never made.

They had, however, a complete set of drawings from AEG and with these instructions the only difficulties they would have in making a torpedo would be with materials.

was in the laboratory in LOMONOSOV making tests. This was in early

1948 and in fact signals were sent over a wire about 10 metres long.

the Russians were satisfied. After this test the parts
were left in the stores: they laid about for years and then disappeared bit by
bit. The Unit was not taken away as a whole.

the idea
of LERCHE has been dropped as later experiences were carried on only with
ZAUNKOENIG. There were no other German torpedo experts in Germany who could
develop such a thing, but a Russian group could easily have taken over.

the system was that Russians who had worked with Germans
in Germany did not work with them in Russia. These Russians were capable,
clever people, but in Russia their replacements were second rate. Thus it
appears that there was a Russian group working on the problems somewhere else.
It was believed that BRON had a laboratory in LENINGRAD (not NII. 400), and

### Test Tank

wanted everything in his testing station that the Germans had, so whether the tank would function or not it still had to be built.

he could very well have been sorting out the Germans laboratory results there.

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